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1. In the late afternoon of 4 January 1952, 27 twin-jet aircraft and 4 single-engine planes were observed parked at Brand airfield. (1) Three hundred to 400 bombs, each 1.2 to 1.4 meters long and 35 cm in diameter, were stored in the ammunition dump which was known as wood camp (the field lagoon). The bombs were suspended in gray crates. [redacted] the bombs were fitted with fuses. (2)

2. The following changes in the status of the personnel of the field were observed. Some of the personnel at the field had been exchanged. Major Ivshin (fnu), who was about 32 years old and had come from Verdor, audited all bills at the field. MVD Major Slizyev (fnu) remained at the field. Captain Avdeyef (fnu), who conducted negotiations concerning financial matters on Wisonbahnstrasse in Verdor, was transferred to the air force and wore an air force uniform with golden epaulets. He stated that he would not return to the field but was to continue in administrative work. His transfer was allegedly caused by Zina Kordenkov, the female construction superintendent and allegedly an LVD member at the field. Avdeyef was replaced by Captain Mironenko (fnu).

3. Between 8 and 11 January, the field was still occupied by 27 twin-jet aircraft which were entirely covered with tarpaulins and parked in the dispersal areas. A twin-engine plane recently arrived at the field. No change was observed in personnel strength at the field. [redacted]

4.

[redacted] It was snowing while the planes landed at the field. The jet bombers had plexiglass noses; however, not all of them could be accurately observed. Two machine guns were observed in the tail gunner's station of some planes; no weapons could be observed in other aircraft. All the windows of the barracks buildings were lighted. According to laborers, the field was to be occupied by about 1,000 men. Construction workers said that work at the field was to be resumed.

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5. Runway lighting facilities were not available at the field. Soldiers constructed two underground bunkers which were camouflaged. The bunkers were 50 meters northeast of the radio installation with four masts. A radio installation with one mast was at the western boundary of Krausnick. (5) The radio installation previously reported north of Krausnick was removed. Close to the Krausnick radio installation, there was a truck on which an object, apparently a rotating searchlight, was mounted and covered with a tarpaulin. The concave portion was deeper than that of a parabolic mirror on a radar set. No radar set was observed at the field. (6)

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- (1) The presence of 27 jet bombers at Grand airfield was confirmed. This number is believed to be correct. In addition to these bombers conventional aircraft were also parked at the field. about 40 type-27 or type-30 planes were assigned to the regiment while it was stationed in Oranienburg. After June 1951, Oranienburg airfield was occupied by a bomber regiment and an air reconnaissance regiment which was probably retrained with jet bombers. It is possible that the remaining 13 aircraft are assigned to the air reconnaissance regiment which is now stationed in Juterbog. two type-27 planes circled over Juterbog on 26 December 1951. This assumption requires confirmation from Juterbog airfield.

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- (2)
 (3)
 (4)

- (5) For location of radio installations, see Annex 1.
 (6) The unidentified object is believed to be a searchlight but certainly no radar set.

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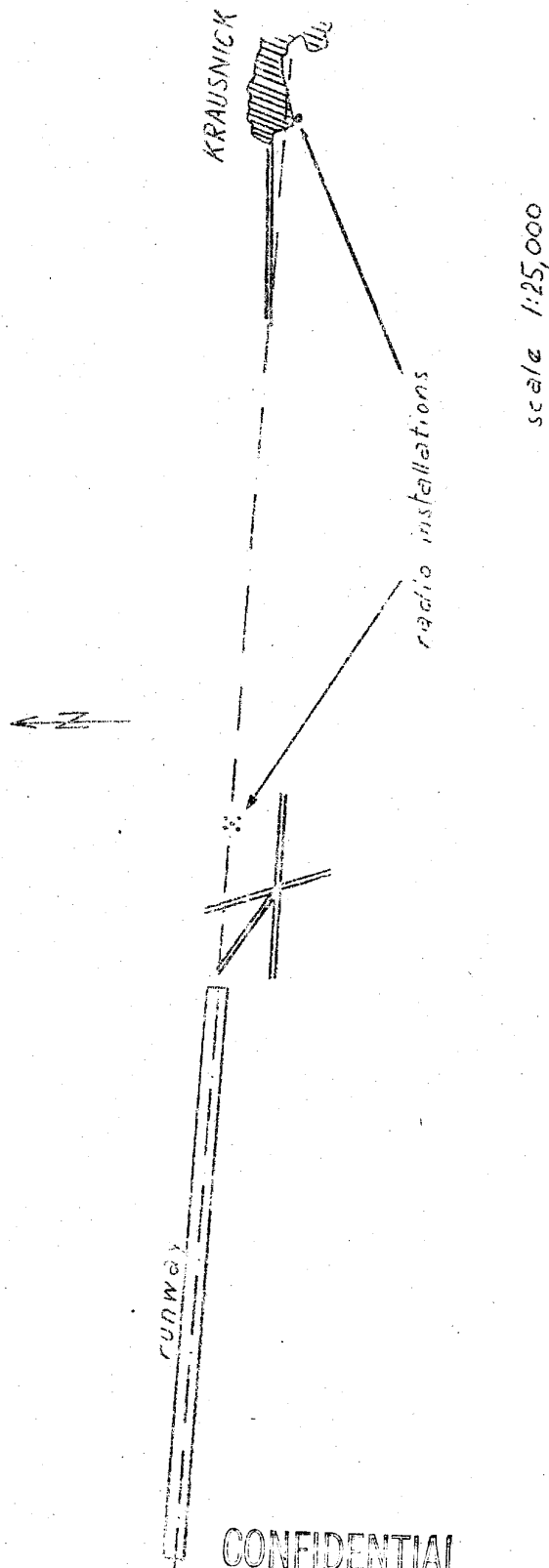
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Annex

Location Sketch of Radio Installations at Brand Airfield



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